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E.O. 12065: GDS 8/12/86 (HOWARD, RICHARD)
TAGS: PINT, JM, GW
SUBJECT: UNOFFICIAL ELECTION OBSERVERS
REF: BONN 14846, STATE 206574

DEPARTMENT OF STATE A/CDC/MR
REVIEWED BY RB DATE 25 JUN 1982
PORTIONS DENIED AS INDICATED

DEPT HAS NOTED WTTH INTEREST [redacted]
CDU PLANS TO SEND UNOFFICIAL OPSERVERS TO THE UPCOMING ELECTTON. PRESENCE OF EVEN UNOFFICAL IMPARTIAL OBSERVERS COULD HAVE A SALUTORY EFFECT AND SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED. FOR MAXIMUM EFFECT WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR OBSERVERS TO BE PRESENT THROUGHOUT THE ELECTION PROCESS AND NOT JUST ON ELECTTON DAY.
ACTION REQUESTED EMBASSY SHOULD [redacted] ENCOURAGE THE CDU TO DISPATCH OBSER-

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VERS AT AN EARLY DATE.
FYI: DURING THEIR RECENT MEETING, AMB. BOWDLER TOLD [redacted] OF THE IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO THE PRESENCE OF IMPARTIAL OBSERVERS AND ASKED THE SPM TO ENCOURAGE MANLEY TO ACCEPT THE PRESENCE OF OFFICIAL OBSERVERS.
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